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particular employer has misrepresented or failed to comply with an attestation previously submitted and accepted for filing, but in no case for a period of more than one year after the date of the Administrator's notice and provided that INS has not advised ETA that the prohibition is in effect for a lesser period.

- (7) When the Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, has notified ETA, in writing, that the employer has failed to comply with any penalty, sanction, or other remedy assessed in a final agency action following an investigation by the Wage and Hour Division pursuant to subpart G of this part.
- (c) Resubmission. If the attestation is not accepted for filing pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section, ETA shall return to the employer, or the employer's agent or representative, at a U.S. address, the attestation form and accompanying documentation submitted by the employer. ETA shall notify the employer, in writing, of the reason(s) that the attestation is unacceptable. When an attestation is found to be unacceptable pursuant to paragraph (b) (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section, the employer may resubmit the corrected attestation with the proper documentation. When an attestation is found to be unacceptable pursuant to paragraph (b) (5), (6), or (7) of this section and returned, such action shall be the final decision of the Secretary of

§ 655.539 Effective date and validity of filed attestations for locations in Alaska.

An attestation is filed and effective as of the date it is accepted and signed by the regional certifying officer. Such attestation is valid for the 12-month period beginning on the date of acceptance for filing, unless suspended or invalidated pursuant to §655.540 of this part. The filed attestation expires at the end of the 12-month period of validity.

§ 655.540 Suspension or invalidation of filed attestations for locations in Alaska.

Suspension or invalidation of an attestation may result from enforcement action(s) under subpart G of this part

- (i.e., investigation(s) conducted by the Administrator or cease and desist order(s) issued by the Administrator regarding the employer's misrepresentation in or failure to carry out its attestation); or from a discovery by ETA that it made an error in accepting the attestation because such attestation falls within one of the categories set forth in §655.538(b).
- (a) Result of Wage and Hour Division action. Upon the determination of a violation under subpart G of this part, the Administrator shall, pursuant to §655.665(b), notify the Attorney General of the violation and of the Administrator's notice to ETA.
- (b) Result of ETA action. If, after accepting an attestation for filing, ETA finds that the attestation is unacceptable because it falls within one of the categories set forth at §655.538(b) and, as a result, ETA suspends or invalidates the attestation, ETA shall notify the Attorney General of such suspension or invalidation and shall return a copy of the attestation form to the employer, or the employer's agent or representative at a U.S. address. ETA shall notify the employer, in writing, of the reason(s) that the attestation is suspended or invalidated.

§ 655.541 Withdrawal of accepted attestations for locations in Alaska.

(a) An employer who has submitted an attestation which has been accepted for filing may withdraw such attestation at any time before the 12-month period of its validity terminates, unless the Administrator has found reasonable cause under subpart G to commence an investigation of the particular attestation. Such withdrawal may be advisable, for example, when the employer learns that the country in which the vessel is registered and of which nationals of such country hold a majority of the ownership interest in the vessel has been removed from the non-reciprocity list (which means, for purposes of this section, Prohibitions on longshore work by U.S. nationals; listing by country at 22 CFR 89.1). In that event, an attestation would no longer be required under subpart F of this part, since upon being removed from

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the non-reciprocity list the performance of longshore work by alien crewmembers would be permitted under the reciprocity exception at sec. 258(e) of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1288(e)). Requests for withdrawals shall be in writing and shall be directed to the regional certifying officer.

(b) Withdrawal of an attestation shall not affect an employer's liability with respect to any failure to meet the conditions attested to which took place before the withdrawal, or for misrepresentations in an attestation. However, if an employer has not yet performed the longshore activities at the location(s) in question, the Administrator shall not find reasonable cause to investigate unless it is alleged, and there is reasonable cause to believe, that the employer has made misrepresentations in the attestation or documentation thereof, or that the employer has not in fact given the notice attested to.

PUBLIC ACCESS

§655.550 Public access.

- (a) Public examination at ETA. ETA shall make available for public examination in Washington, DC, a list of employers which have filed attestations under this subpart, and for each such employer, a copy of the employer's attestation and accompanying documentation it has received.
- (b) Notice to public. ETA periodically shall publish a list in the FEDERAL REGISTER identifying under this subpart employers which have submitted attestations; employers which have attestations on file; and employers which have submitted attestations which have been found unacceptable for filing.

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APPENDIX A TO SUBPART F OF PART 655—U.S. SEAPORTS

The list of 224 seaports includes all major and most smaller ports serving ocean and Great Lakes commerce.

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Bucksport, ME Eastport, ME Portland, ME Searsport, ME

Portsmouth, NH Boston, MA Fall River, MA New Bedford, MA Providence, RI Bridgeport, CT New Haven, CT New London, CT Albany, NY New York, NY/NJ Camden, NJ Gloucester City, NJ Paulsboro, NJ Chester, PA Marcus Hook, PA Philadelphia, PA Delaware City, DE Wilmington, DE Baltimore, MD Cambridge, MD Alexandria, VA Chesapeake, VA Hopewell, VA Newport News, VA Norfolk, VA Portsmouth, VA Richmond, VA

Morehead City, NC

SOUTH ATLANTIC RANGE

Southport, NC Wilmington, NC Charleston, SC Georgetown, SC Port Royal, SC Brunswick, GA Savannah, GA St. Mary, GA Cocoa, FL Fernandina Beach, FL Fort Lauderdale, FL Fort Pierce, FL Jacksonville, FL Miami, FL Palm Beach, FL Port Canaveral, FL Port Everglades, FL Riviera, FL Aguadilla, PR Ceiba, PR Guanica, PR Guayanilla, PR Humacao, PR Jobos, PR Mayaguez, PR Ponce, PR San Juan, PR Vieques, PR Yabucoa, PR Alucroix, VI Charlotte Amalie, VI Christiansted, VI Frederiksted, VI Limetree Bay, VI

NORTH PACIFIC RANGE

Astoria, OR